

it as a part of her dependencies? Beata is mentioned in the same laws as Alta Vela is, yet Beata is beyond all doubt a Haytian Island. The Parliament of England for three centuries habitually called France a part of their King's dominion; but I think nobody would say that it was thereby made an appendage of the British Crown.

the British crown. Mr. Seward's paper contains an effort to show that Columbus discovered the West India Islands, including Alta Vega, whereby Spain would become the sovereign of all St. Domingo succeeded to the rights of Spain. To a man of common understanding it is not necessary that a fallacy like this should be exposed. Precisely the same proposition was exposed by Venezuela in her dispute with Aves Island; and this government then treated it with contempt. Mr. Marcy and General Cass now only did not wish to touch the subject of the rights of their country, but they repelled it with indignation and put it down as an insult which could not be borne. I selected the strongest points and stated them as fairly as I could in a space so brief. Perhaps diplomacy is a business in which a man is not required to be perfectly honest. It may be that allowance ought to be made for the tricks of the trade. But surely it is discreditable to the United States to have a man of the rank of Mr. Seward make a statement so grossly untrue. His lies are so loose that he volunteers the influence of his office to defeat justice and employs his time in making false statements which will do nothing but making false and dishonored the nation. Most respect fully, yours, &c. J. S. BLACK.

Hon. J. A. GARFIELD, House of Representatives.

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